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terminal disclaimer simply serves the statutory function of removing the rejection of double patenting, and raises neither a presumption nor estoppel on the merits of the rejection.”)

Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to withdraw the rejection of claims 1-6 and 8-15, and to find the application now to be in condition for allowance. If the Examiner feels that the disposition of the application could be expedited by speaking with Applicant's representative, the Examiner is respectfully invited to call the undersigned attorney at the number shown below.

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